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- WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are apprised that during May of 2012, the Holiday Homes Neighborhood Association (HHNA) celebrated their third anniversary; and,
- WHEREAS, HHNA was established during May 2009 by volunteers with assistance from the Huntsville Police Department (HPD). The association was founded to improve the quality of life for residents in the Holiday Homes neighborhood; and,
- WHEREAS, HHNA began with 97 members, and now the membership is approximately 225. Steve Morgan serves as the association's current president. Pam Cobb served as president for their first two years and is now vice-president. The homes in HHNA were built for people moving into Huntsville to work at Redstone Arsenal; and,
- WHEREAS, during the first year, HPD Community Relations Officers Tommy Mayo and Chad Bryant worked with the community to educate them about various programs and city services. Members of the association worked diligently to improve communication among neighbors and established a strategic plan to foster growth of the organization; and,
- WHEREAS, some residents of the Holiday Homes neighborhood have lived in the area for 50 years or longer, but did not know each other until HHNA was created. Now they know each other, watch out for each other, and wave to one another when passing on the streets. The association is the reason this has occurred; and,
- WHEREAS, HHNA members participate in food drives, numerous neighborhood Green Team cleanups and beautification projects. It is tradition that members close out the clean-up day by working together as a group to assist neighbors with yard projects; and,
- WHEREAS, HHNA implemented a Community Watch program with 26 members participating. These efforts were strengthened during the power outage suffered after the tornadoes that occurred April 27, 2011; and,
- WHEREAS, after April 27, 2011, neighbors realized they should be better prepared in the event of a future disaster, and committed to attending a two-month weekly training class to become CERT certified. These efforts will assure residents have food, candles, flashlights, ice, batteries, gas, radios, etc. in case of future disasters; and,
- WHEREAS, HHNA is what happens when people who live in "good homes with good bones" band together for the betterment of the neighborhood. This association and similar organizations throughout our city have helped make our neighborhoods more desirable areas in which to live and raise families.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, wish to recognize and congratulate the Holiday Homes Neighborhood Association on the occasion of their Third Anniversary. May every success be yours in all future endeavors.

ADOPTED on this the 14th day of June, 2012.

President of the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

 ${\bf APPROVED}$ on this the 14 $^{\rm th}$ day of June, 2012.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama